

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT:

Establishment of Special Account for Amounts to Be Paid by Settling Defendant

Under Consent Decree in United States v. Pharmacia (f/k/a/ Monsanto Company),

et al., Civil Action Number 99-63-GPM

From:

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Acting Director, Superfund Division

To:

Susan Bromm

Director, OSRE

Joseph L. Dillion Comptroller, OCFO

For coordination purposes, this memorandum is to inform you of Region 5, Superfund Division's intent to establish a special account for amounts to be paid by the settling defendant pursuant to the attached consent decree captioned <u>United States v. Pharmacia Corporation (f/k/a Monsanto Company), et al</u>, Civil Action Number 99-63-GPM, to be entered in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois.

## **Background**

This consent decree resolves liability of the settling defendant, Mr. Paul Sauget, under Section 107 of CERCLA at the Sauget Area One Site. The decree requires the payment of a stipulated judgment of \$60,000, plus interest, and the payment of 95% of any recoveries of Insurance Proceeds, as provided by the decree.

### **Summary of Costs**

This settlement gives the settling defendant a release from the United States for cost liability related to the Sauget Area One site. U.S. EPA has incurred documented response costs for the site through 2003 in excess of \$1 million, and this settlement will help pay for a portion of these costs. The United States is currently litigating against other PRPs to recover the balance of the Agency's costs for the site.

Additional work will be required at the site to address remaining areas of contamination.

### **Allocation of Settlement Proceeds**

The total amount to be paid by the settling defendant shall be deposited in the Sauget Area One and Two Special Account within the EPA Hazardous Substance Superfund. This special account will be retained and used to conduct or finance response actions at or in connection with the Sauget Area One and Two Sites, to pay for Agency oversight costs, or, as appropriate, to be transferred by EPA to the Hazardous Substance Superfund. Pursuant to the decree, the payments are to be made by FEDWire Electronic Funds Transfer ("EFT") to the U.S. Department of Justice account in accordance with instructions to be provided to Defendant Paul Sauget by the Financial Litigation Unit of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Illinois, upon entry of the Consent Decree. Such instructions to the settling defendant will include a confirmation that proceeds from the decree will be placed in the Sauget Area One and Two Special Account after they are transferred to the Department of Justice account.

The attorney for this site is Thomas Martin at 312-886-4273, and the Remedial Project Manager is Nabil Fayoumi at 312-886-6840.

#### Attachment

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